

**VILLAGE OF MARSHALL
RESOLUTION 2015-04**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY TO TAKE APPROPRIATE LEGAL ACTION TO PREVENT THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTIES IN THE VILLAGE BY THE DANE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD.

WHEREAS, the Village Board previously adopted Resolution 3-29-1977 authorizing the Dane County Housing Authority (DCHA) to include the Village within its general area of operation pursuant to §59.53(22)(c), Wis. Stats., and

WHEREAS, the DCHA has indicated its intent to purchase two properties in the Village to operate as low income housing projects; and

WHEREAS, §66.1201, Wis. Stats. specifies the specific powers of a housing authority operating within the Village, including the authority "within its area of operation to prepare, carry out, acquire, lease and operate housing projects approved by the council . . .;" and

WHEREAS, §§66.1201(3)(g) and 66.1339, Wis. Stats. provide that the approval of such projects in a village require approval of the governing body of the village; and

WHEREAS, the DCHA has indicated its intent to purchase the above-referenced properties without seeking or obtaining the approval of the Marshall Village Board; and

WHEREAS, the properties, if purchased by the DCHA would become exempt from general property taxes pursuant to §66.1201(22), Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, although the Village Board supports the goal of making affordable housing available to those in need of housing assistance and encourages efforts to attain that goal, the proposed acquisitions would result in the loss of approximately \$2,000,000 in existing tax base necessary to fund municipal and school services, placing an unreasonable financial burden on Village and Marshall Area School District taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board believes that its authority to review individual projects pursuant to §66.1201(9), Wis. Stats. is essential toward assuring that proposed public housing projects consider the needs of the Village as a whole, and do not result in unreasonable financial burdens which may cause an increase in the number of families requiring financial assistance to meet their basic housing needs;

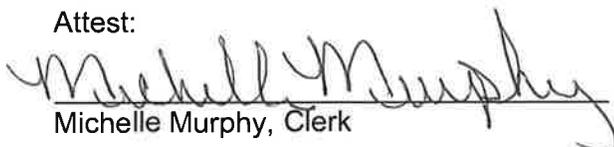
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Marshall, Wisconsin, hereby authorizes the Village Attorney to commence litigation or take any other appropriate legal action to prevent the DCHA from acquiring any properties in the Village of Marshall for public housing projects unless those acquisitions and projects have been approved by the Village Board.

Adopted this 14th day of July, 2015.



Marlin E. Hensler Jr., Village President

Attest:



Michelle Murphy, Clerk